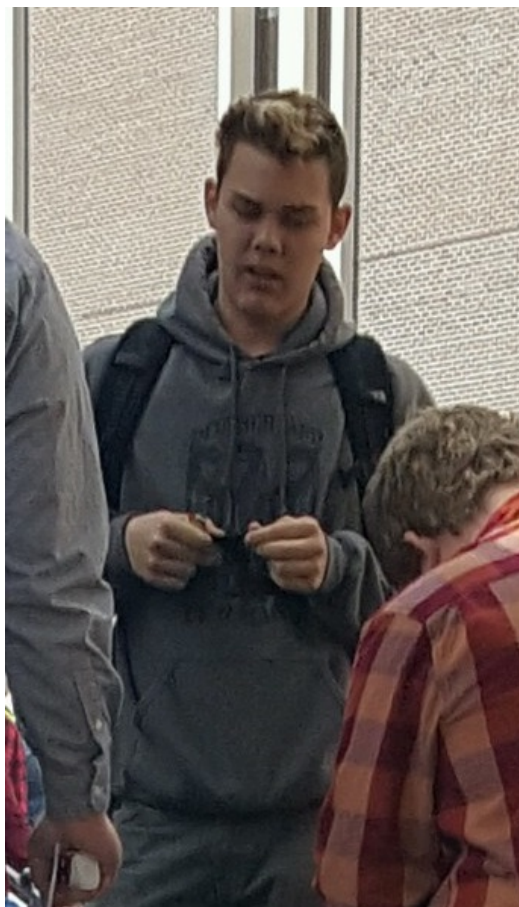




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Alert: Far-Right Militant at Georgia State University Seeks Information on Leftists and Anti-Racists

A [Georgia State University](#) (GSU) student who has been requesting information about leftist and anti-racist organizing may not be who he appears. In many conversations, especially as he hangs around the Library Courtyard, GSU student Spencer Madison provides the name “Lukas.” When talking with people who he thinks may be left-leaning, “Lukas” has attempted to steer the conversation towards leftist organizing projects and especially anti-fascist work. According to one source, “Lukas” was “probing for information” particularly intensely during late February of this year [1]. We suspect that “Lukas” is not motivated by genuine curiosity, but is trying to gather intelligence for use against political opponents.



Spencer Madison wearing hoodie with German eagle insignia, February 2017

On his Facebook page, Spencer Madison is upfront about his far-Right, anti-immigrant and Islamophobic beliefs. There have been no public posts on the page since mid-2016, but it is unlikely Madison's political commitments have shifted radically since that time. Madison's Facebook "likes" include three for the [Nationaldemokratische Partei Deutschlands / National Democratic Party of Germany](#) (NPD), which is generally considered a neo-Nazi political party. Spencer Madison also follows "This is Europa," a white nationalist project. He "likes" a couple of pages for [Alternative für Deutschland](#) / Alternative for Germany (AfD), a Right-wing political party which stresses hostility towards immigrants and Muslims. Madison also circulated AfD materials on his page. According to Facebook, Madison appreciates Identitäre Bewegung – Deutschland, the German branch of the ["Identitarian" movement, a far-Right movement which couches its racism in language of "difference."](#) Finally, Madison "likes" the Right-wing "Anti-communist" page and reposted anti-socialist materials on multiple occasions. (Madison's "likes" for the state-friendly anti-extremist Southern Poverty Law

Center and deceased Cuban leader Fidel Castro are incongruous with the overall politics promoted on his Facebook page.)

In the aftermath of a July 2016 terror attack in Germany, Madison commented: “Just wondering how long it will take to domesticate these people [presumably Muslims and/or immigrants] into German civilization.” Not exactly subtle stuff.



Madison in GSU Library Courtyard, November 2016

Such words and endorsements would be enough to make us question the motives behind “Lukas’” newfound interest in anti-racist and leftist organizing. But there’s more.

While white nationalist organizer [Patrick Sharp was completing his final semester at GSU](#) (Fall 2016), Sharp met regularly with Spencer Madison in the Library Courtyard. (Sharp is best known for [trying to form a “White Student Union” at GSU in 2013](#); [Sharp’s more recent racist organizing has been extensively documented on this](#)

[site](#).) In one conversation with Sharp, Madison claimed that European culture is especially advanced, and that this justifies conquest of Native American peoples. [2]



Spencer Madison (left, back turned) and white nationalist leader Patrick Sharp meeting for a discussion in the Library Courtyard, October 2016, during Sharp's last semester at GSU

And there's even more. White nationalist propaganda has appeared several times at Georgia State University (and other campuses) in 2017 despite Patrick Sharp's graduation.

Here's an account from someone who was approached by "Lukas"/Spencer Madison this February:

On the night of Monday, February 6th, I was out with some friends by GSU's campus in Downtown Atlanta off Hurt Park. We were putting up some flyers for a club night we were promoting when a young man [...] with blond hair approached us. He asked us "Hey, are you all from I.E.?" Not knowing what that

group was, I responded “Sorry, don’t know what that is” and then he said, “Oh, never mind.” Five seconds later it dawned on me that he may have meant “Identity Evropa,” a fascist organization whose stickers have been springing up on campuses around the country over the past few years. [3]

We confirmed with the author of this statement that the person they talked with was Spencer Madison/“Lukas.” (Madison’s hair had a blond tint at the time – see February 2017 photo above.) The exchange does not prove that Madison has placed white nationalist materials at GSU. However, it seems likely that Madison was referring to [Identity Evropa](#). On the same week as the brief conversation occurred, materials from Identity Evropa [appeared at Georgia Tech campus plus GSU](#).

In a further development, on Wednesday March 8, “Lukas” showed up to GSU campus on crutches. When speaking with some students, he stated that he had been viciously attacked by knife-wielding antifascists. To others, he told the much more plausible story that he was simply attacked for his property [4]. We believe that “Lukas”’ reason for spreading the first unlikely story was to harm the reputation of anti-racists.

Since Spencer Madison has been linked to far-Right organizations and bigoted politics, we do not think that “Lukas” should be provided any information about leftist or anti-racist organizing. Rather, students should know about Spencer Madison’s identity, actual commitments, and the far-Right agenda he serves on campus. We live in a time of heightened racist and far-Right militancy; students should organize to keep each other safe, especially because campus authorities have proven unreliable at best.

While students organize to resist the far-Right locally, Atlanta Antifascists will help with research, analysis, and other practical measures. If you have information on racist or fascist organizing on Atlanta campuses, please [get in contact](#).

NOTES

[1] Report from GSU student, records of Atlanta Antifascists.

[2] Report from GSU student — early November 2016 conversation. (Different source than Note 1.)

[3] Eyewitness report with minor stylistic/copy edits. Original statement erroneously describes person as “in his early 20s” (phrase cut above). Spencer Madison is in fact slightly younger, although this matches his appearance.

[4] Documentation from multiple GSU students.

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